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Of the listed patents, most are cited merely for technology background. US 6,116,849 (Fesmire et al) (also referred to as Broadbent in the European Search Report) appears to be the most pertinent and was already cited by the Examiner in his Office Action dated 05/04/2006. For the reasons given in Amendment "A", the claims as amended, are believed to be patentable over Fesmire and accordingly over the other listed patents which are not as pertinent.

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